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Topic:: 95 percent confidence intervals  
Topic:: Estimating SE using bootstrapping  
Read:: Lock5 3.3

CI construction: 95%

- goal: to estimate population parameter

frequently:  $\mu$ ,  $p$ ,  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ ,  $p_1 - p_2$

Why? We already have unbiased estimators (sample statistics)

$\mu$ :  $\bar{x}$

$p$ :  $\hat{p}$

$\mu_1 - \mu_2$ :  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$

$p_1 - p_2$ :  $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$

- How:

1. centered interval approach

take estimate  $\pm$  (2)(SE)

2\*SE is called the margin of error (specific to 95% confidence)

2. percentile approach (must await discussion of bootstrapping)

- Meaning of CI

Note the three misinterpretations the Locks want you to avoid, pp. 187-88

- Example:

Belief	Females	Males
There isn't one true love	1005	807
There is one true love	363	372
Undecided	34	44

If SE = .018, find 95% CI for difference in proportion who disagree

Write a command

$$f(x) = L(x) + T(x)$$

Write a command

given a dataset named class Survey

should find the correlation between vars

< name 1 > and < name 2 >



# Confidence Intervals

Goal: Estimate

- $\sigma$
- $\mu$
- $p$  (pop. proportion)
- $\rho$  (pop. correlation)
- $\beta_1$  (pop. slope)
- $\mu_1 - \mu_2$
- $p_1 - p_2$

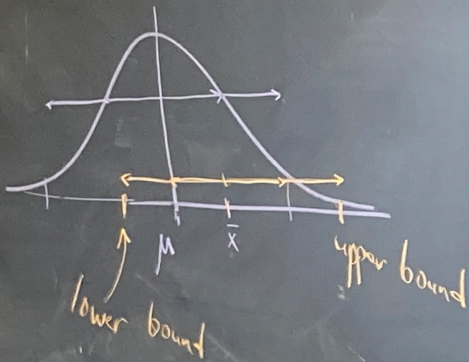
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Have estimators (sample stats)

- $s$
- $\bar{x}$
- $\hat{p}$
- $r$
- $b_1$
- $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$
- $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$



Want  $\mu$   
Have  $\bar{x}$  (sampling dist normal)



95% of values are within  
2 SE's of center

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Our 1<sup>st</sup> method for constructing 95% CI  
(point est.)  $\pm 2 \cdot SE$

Defn. The amount added/subtracted from estimate to obtain lower/upper bounds of your CI is called the margin of error.

Ex. | Have poll saying  
42% of Americans favor  
Proposal A. (This is  $\hat{p}$ )  
Say that  $SE_{\hat{p}} = 0.016$   
Give a 95% CI for  $p$ .  
lower:  $0.42 - 2(0.016)$ ,  
upper:  $0.42 + 2(0.016)$

95% CI:  
 $(0.388, 0.452)$

Ex. | New setting

Samples of men and women show  
avg. weekly screen time (hrs)

$$\bar{x}_w = 35.2$$

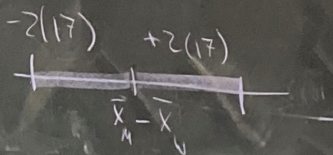
$$\bar{x}_m = 61.4$$

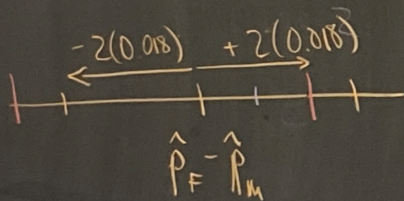
$$SE_{\bar{x}_m - \bar{x}_w} = 17$$

A 95% CI for  $\mu_m - \mu_w$

estimate:  $\bar{x}_m - \bar{x}_w = 61.4 - 35.2 = 26.2$

$$(-7.8, 60.2)$$





proportion of disagrees

Females:  $\hat{p}_F = \frac{1005}{1402}$

Males:  $\hat{p}_M = \frac{807}{1223}$

95% CI for  $\hat{p}_F - \hat{p}_M$

$$\frac{1005}{1402} - \frac{807}{1223}$$

# 95% Confidence Intervals - Estimating SE using bootstrapping

## Confidence Intervals

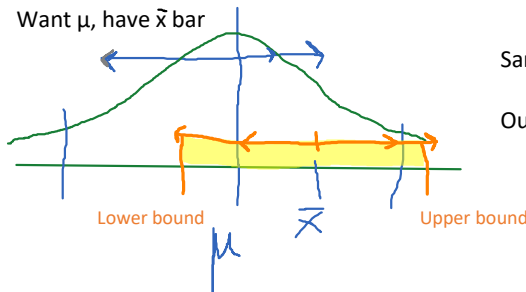
Goal: Estimate:

- $\mu$  population mean
- P population proportion
- $\rho$  (rho) true correlation between two variables
- $B_1$  population slope
- $\mu_1 - \mu_2$
- $\rho_1 - \rho_2$

Estimators:

- $\bar{x}$  bar
- $\hat{p}$  hat
- r
- $b_1$
- $\hat{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2$
- $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$

Always a bit off!



Sampling dist. Normal

95% of values are within 2 SE (standard error) of center

Our first method for constructing 95% CI:

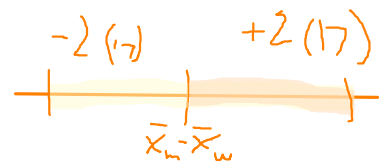
(point est.)  $\pm$  2 SE

★ for CI=95%, double SE.

**Ex. 1)** Have poll saying 42% of Americans favor proposal A. ( $\hat{p}$  hat)  
 Say that SE = 0.016  
 Give a 95% CI for P (population proportion)  
 $0.42 - 2(0.016) = 0.388 =$  lower bound  
 $0.42 + 2(0.016) = 0.452 =$  upper bound

Margin of error - the amount added or subtracted from estimate to obtain lower/upper bounds of your CI

**Ex. 2)** New Setting  
 Samples of men and women show average weekly screen time (hrs)  
 $X_w = 35.2$   
 $X_m = 61.4$   
 A 95% CI for  $\mu_m - \mu_w$   
 Estimate:  $X_m - X_w = 61.4 - 35.2 = 26.2$   
 (-7.8, 60.2)



**Ex. 3)** Proportion of Disagrees

Females:  $\hat{P}_F = 1005/1402$   
 Males:  $\hat{P}_M = 807/1223$   
 95% CI for  $P_F - P_M = (1005/1402) - (807/1223) = 0.057$

